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SUBJECT: US PARTICIPATION IN UNCTAD PREPARATORY MEETING ON COPPER

REF: (A) STATE 230744, (B) EC BRUSSELS 8910, (C) EC BRUSSELS 8705

1. MISSION OFFICER INFORMED COMMISSION OFFICIAL HANDLING COMMODITY POLICIES, JOSE NICOLAI, OF POINTS MADE IN REF A. AS INDICATED IN REFS B AND C, EC GENERALLY SUPPORTS US VIEWS REGARDING UPCOMING COPPER PREPARATORY MEETING. IN FACT, NICOLAI SUGGESTS GOING ONE STEP FURTHER BY ASKING THE PREPARATORY MEETING TO CONVENE A SPECIAL WORKING GROUP TO UNDERTAKE WORK PROGRAM DEVELOPED AT MARCH PREPARATORY MEETING. THIS GROUP COULD SUBSEQUENTLY REPORT BACK TO PREPARATORY COMMITTEE ONCE STUDIES ARE COMPLETED.

2. NICOLAI ADDS THAT EC HAS REACTED NEGATIVELY TO UNCTAD PREPARATORY PAPER FOR FORTHCOMING MEETING. PAPER FULLY SUPPORTS G-77 POSITION TOWARD AN INTEGRATED COMMODITY PROGRAM, EVEN THOUGH SUCH A PROGRAM DOES NOT MEET SPECIFIC CHARACTERISTICS AND NEEDS OF COPPER MARKET. THIS BIASED APPROACH UNDERLINES NEED FOR  
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MAJOR CONSUMERS TO WORK CLOSELY TOGETHER. NICOLAI

REPORTS THAT EC COPPER EXPERTS PLAN TO MEET IN PARIS  
ON SEPTEMBER 23 AFTER THE HIGH LEVEL GROUP MEETING. THIS  
MEETING WILL LIKELY DEVELOP SPECIFIC COMMENTS  
REGARDING THE UNCTAD PAPER.

3. NICOLAI HAS GIVEN US AN INDEPENDENT PRIVATE STUDY  
REGARDING POSSIBLE STABILIZATION OF COPPER PRICES.  
THIS STUDY WAS PREPARED FOR A LARGE EUROPEAN COPPER  
COMPANY. HE BELIEVES THE STUDY MAKES SEVERAL USEFUL  
POINTS. WE ARE SENDING COPIES TO STATE/EBB-WENDT AND  
RPE/MCLEAN. HINTON

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